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SUBJECT: ARAB LEAGUE DECLARES EC-9 IS STALLING ON EURO-ARAB
DIALOGUE

1. CAIRO DAILY AKHBAR DEC 3 QUOTES ARAB LEAGUE SYG MAHMUD RIAD AS SAYING OBSTRUCTIONS IN WAY OF CONTEMPLATED EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE EMANATE FROM POSITION OF "SOME" OF THE EC-9 TOWARD PLO'S PARTICIPATION IN THE DIALOGUE. HE REPORTEDLY ADDED THAT FRANCE ADOPTS "FAVORABLE STANDS" TOWARD ALL ARAB ISSUES, ALTHOUGH IT ABSTAINED ON UNGA/PLO VOTE.

2. ACCORDING TO AKHBAR, RIAD CLAIMS EC-9 HAVE NOT NAMED DATE FOR CARRYING ON DIALOGUE, THOUGH NOV 26 HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN AGREED ON. HE SAID HE HAD TOLD FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO HE WAS READY TO SEND SENIOR OFFICER TO PARIS IF NECESSARY AND THAT HE HIMSELF WAS READY TO MEET EUROPEAN REPS FOR SAKE OF ARAB/
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EUROPEAN COOPERATION. HE HAS CONSTANTLY STRESSED TO EC-9

THAT PALESTINE IS MEMBER OF ARAB LEAGUE AND HAD SENT COPIES OF LEAGUE CHARTER TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR AND OTHER EUROPEAN REPS IN CAIRO.

3. CONCLUDING, RIAD SAID HE HAD SUGGESTED SMALL ARAB DEL MEET WITH EUROPEAN REPS IN "LIMITED COMMITTEE" WHICH WOULD NOT NECESSARILY INCLUDE REPS OF ALL EC-9. EUROPEAN SIDE PROMISED TO STUDY PROPOSAL BUT HAS NOT YET REPLIED. "IT IS EVIDENT EUROPEAN SIDE IS STALLING AND THAT ATTITUDES MAY END IN HARMING JOINT INTERESTS OF BOTH SIDES."
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